

# **Fire Safety Code Board**

## **Of Appeal and Review**

### **Hearing Minutes for March 19, 2009**

A subcommittee of the Rhode Island Fire Safety Code Board of Appeal & Review met at their headquarters located at 1 Regan Court, Varley Building #46, in Cranston, RI on Thursday, March 19, 2009 at 9:30 am. Present were Acting Chairman Jasparro and Commissioners Dias and Filippi. Also present were Executive Director Thomas Coffey and Deputy Director Carol Marsella. The following cases were heard.

**APPEAL #060853:** Mr. Joseph Silvestri, for the property located at 445 Douglas Pike, Smithfield. ADSFM James Waterman appeared for the Smithfield Fire Marshal's office. Commissioner Filippi made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Dias, to grant the following relief.

The Applicant is directed to either structurally seal off portions of the building to reduce occupancy to below 300 until sprinkler coverage can be provided or provide sprinklers engineered pursuant to the plan of action outlined at the hearing. The applicant is granted a time variance of thirty days in which to submit plans for the above, and additional 120 days in which to comply. The Smithfield Fire Marshal may extend the above deadline for good faith efforts on the part of the Applicant. The Applicant is further directed to cover the cited junction box and lock the cited fire alarm circuit breaker within thirty days. The motion was unanimous.

**APPEAL #060838, 060839: Ms. Heather Mayo, for the properties located at 836 Middle Road in East Greenwich. DSFM David Cionfolo appeared for the State Fire Marshal's office. Commissioner Dias made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Filippi, to grant the Applicant a variance based on structural hardship in the matter of the doorway height, and further motioned to reaffirm a previously granted variance to wash the cited galss doors with sprinklers. The motion was unanimous.**

**APPEAL #060809: Mr. Anthony Rocchio, for the property located at 2750 South County Trail, East Greenwich. ADSFM Susan Hawksley appeared for the East Greenwich Fire Marshal's office. The Applicant failed to appear. Commissioner Filippi made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Dias, to close the file since the building had been sold and the Applicant is no longer the owner. The motion was unanimous.**

**APPEAL #060796: Mr. Bruce Ahmadjian, for the property located at 104 Duke Street/40-42 Queen Street, east Greenwich. ADSFM Susan Hawksley appeared for the East Greenwich Fire Marshal's office. Commissioner Dias made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Filippi, to grant the following relief. The applicant is granted a time variance of thirty days in which to fire stop the cited furnace room and to provide a remote shut off switch for the boiler. The Applicant is further granted a time variance of thirty days in which to either**

**provide documentation of proper separation or to provide plans for a fire alarm or to provide plans for properly engineered separation for this facility. If plans are submitted, the Applicant is granted an additional 120 days from plan approval in which to implement those plans. The East Greenwich Fire Marshal's office is granted the authority to extend the above deadlines for good faith efforts being made by the Applicant. The motion was unanimous.**

**APPEAL #060725: Mr. Joseph Zenga, for the property located at 11 Dedford Street, east Greenwich. ADSFM Susan Hawksley appeared for the East Greenwich Fire Marshal's office. The Applicant failed to appear, and this case will be rescheduled.**

**APPEAL #060689: Mr. Vincent J. Meola, for the property located at 50 King Street in East Greenwich. ADSFM Susan Hawksley appeared for the East Greenwich Fire Marshal's office. Commissioner Dias made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Filippi, to grant the Applicant's requested variances based on historic and structural relief, there being no objection by the East Greenwich Fire Marshal's office. The motion was unanimous.**

**APPEAL #060681: Honora Lippitt Mills Associates, for the property located at 28 Harris Avenue, Cranston. ADSFM Glen Bathgate appeared for the Cranston Fire Marshal's office. The Applicant failed to appear, however the Cranston Fire Marshal indicated that the facility is in compliance with the fire code. This file will be closed.**

**APPEAL #070571: Ms. Tracy DelSesto, for the property located at 80 Hathaway Street in Cranston. ADSFM Glen Bathgate appeared for the Cranston Fire Marshal's office. Commissioner Dias made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Filippi, to grant the following relief. The Applicant is provided with the option to either upgrade the sprinkler system or remove the system, as sprinklers are not required in this facility. If the Applicant chooses to upgrade the system she is granted a time variance of thirty days in which to provide properly engineered plans and an additional 120 days in which to bring the sprinkler system into compliance. The Applicant is also granted a time variance of thirty days in which to provide property engineered plans for an approved fire alarm system, with an additional 120 days in which to install the system. The Cranston Fire Marshal's office is granted the authority to extend the above deadline for good faith efforts being made by the Applicant. The motion was unanimous.**

**APPEAL #060651: the Village Barber Shop, for the property located at 3330 Mendon Road in Cumberland. ADSFM Claude LaFlamme appeared for the Cumberland Hill Fire Marshal's office. Commissioner Dias made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Filippi, to grant the Applicant's requested relief, as there was no objection by the Cumberland Hill Fire Marshal, and noting that the Applicant has installed a new fire alarm system in the facility. The motion was unanimous.**

**APPEAL #060944, 060977, 060978, 060797, 060980: Mr. Herbert El Johnston, for the properties located at 185 Manville Hill Road, Cumberland. Commissioner Filippi made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Dias, to grant the Applicant a variance, based on structural hardship, in order to allow the Applicant to maintain the cited electrical panels in their current locations, noting that all other deficiencies in the buildings have been corrected. The motion was unanimous.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Carol Marsella**

**Deputy Director**